

Degrees and Certificates Committee Minutes

Date: April 13, 2016

Sylvania, CC Conf. Room B, 2pm to 4pm

In Attendance					
	Phil Christain	✓	Dorina Cornea-Hasegan	✓	Beth Fitzgerald
	Amanda Gallo	✓	Janeen Hull (Chair)		Arlene McCashew
✓	Eriks Puris	✓	Cheryl Scott	✓	Dave Stout
✓	Emiliano Vega				
Committee Support					
✓	Kristin Benson	✓	Emily Biskey	✓	Kendra Cawley
✓	Sally Earll	✓	Anne Haberkern	✓	Joy Killgore
✓	Jessica Morfin		Susan Wilson		
Guests					
Scott Judy		Jennifer Bowers			

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- DOI Report, Cheryl Scott:
 - Dean Scott discussed the recent AACC conference, attended by members of the DAC and Curriculum Committee, where guided pathways and its options were explored and how other schools have interpreted guided pathways and how they have been implemented. The information gained at the conference will be invaluable to the school as it decides how it would like proceed.
- DAC Chair Report, Janeen Hull:
 - In the last few meetings of the academic year, Chair Hull will be transitioning Eriks Puris into the role of the chair of the committee.
 - Chair Hull also announced that the Majors Work Group will present at the next DAC meeting. They will have a recommendation on the next steps that the college might consider taking.
- Interim Registrar, Kristin Benson:
 - Upper division credits: The registrar would like to revise the [Transfer Credit Standards](#) policy to remove the distinction between the way upper division and lower division credit are treated for transfer.
 - The current policy allows the transfer of a maximum of 16 upper division credits to a student's record, and only where the upper division course has a direct equivalent PCC course. In contrast, there is no numerical limit on the number of lower division credits a student may transfer (other than the residency requirements for their specific degree or certificate), and students may receive transfer credit for a course that does not have a direct PCC equivalent. This creates seemingly arbitrary and inequitable situations for students. There doesn't seem to be a clear rationale for the difference in the way we recognize transfer credit that is upper division vs. the way we recognize transfer credit

that is lower division; there is no accreditation or state regulation that requires us to do so and most other community colleges do not make this distinction in recognizing transfer credit (none in Oregon).

- Kristin's recommendation is that the special requirements for transferring upper division coursework (direct PCC equivalent and limit of 16 credits) be removed from the Transfer Credit Standards. After discussion, DAC agreed to recommend this change to the EAC. Kristin will attend EAC as well to answer any questions.
- In the course of the discussion it was agreed that logically, the entirety of the Transfer Credit Standards should be added to the APS handbook as a new policy. Kristin will begin working with the EAC leaders on this project in the coming year.

OLD BUSINESS:

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Degree/Certificate Title	Recommended for approval:	Recommended w/amendments:	Postponed
No Items			

NEW BUSINESS:

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Degree/Certificate Title	Recommended for approval:	Recommended w/amendments:	Postponed
Inactivate: ACERT-LIBA: Library Assistant Less Than One-Year Certificate	✓		
PREREQ-ED01: Education Prerequisites	✓		
AAS-VP Video Production AAS Degree	✓		
New: ACERTP-GFP: General Fabrication Preparation	✓		
Policies	Recommended for approval:	Recommended w/amendments:	Postponed
A102: Associate Degree Requirements - AAS	✓		
A103: Associate Degree Requirements - ASOT	✓		
A104: Associate Degree Requirements – AGS	✓		
A106: Associate Degree Requirements – AS	✓		
A113: Associate of Science Oregon Transfer Business – ASOT-BUS	✓		
A110: Degree and Certificate Substitution Standards: This item was amended to read: “Substitution of coursework in the major field for AAS degrees and CTE certificates requires approval by the chair of the department from which the student is earning the degree/certificate or program advisor, if so designated by the chair.”		✓	

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

These items do not require committee recommendation.
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- Correction to Degree Code/Title - ACERT-WLD: Welding Technology Less Than One-Year Certificate, was submitted and recommended at February 2016 DAC. Correct code/title is ACERTP-WLD: Welding Technology Less Than One-Year: Career Pathway Certificate
- Inactivate: Library Assistant Electives
- Business Program Electives